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1. The Soviet Control Commission controls the Political Administration of the Ministry of the Interior through so-called advisers, all of whom were replaced after the June riots. The Publication Department, for instance, does not publish a single issue that has not been first discussed with, and approved by, the SCC. The entire "Politarbeiter" (Political Worker) is translated into Russian. Of late, the SCC has been especially interested in the Personnel Department (Kaderabteilung), where it decides which political officers are to be dismissed.
2. A so-called Legal Office (Rechtsstelle) was organized within the Political Administration early in 1953. After May, it was supposed to function as a military court. The head of this unit was Chief Prosecutor Berger, who entered his post as a full colonel.

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